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Steve Hawkins serves as assistant administrator for the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Division. He assists in managing the day-to-day operations of TOSHA, supervising eight managers with various program responsibilities. He also serves as the liaison between the state's OSHA program and federal OSHA monitors and promotes workplace safety by educating employer groups and labor organizations about safety and health regulations and better methods of controlling and eliminating workplace hazards.

He joined the department in 1986, beginning as an occupational safety specialist and subsequently serving in area safety supervisor and safety compliance manager positions. He is a formally licensed blaster in the state of Tennessee and a member of the American Society of Safety Engineers.

He earned a B.S. degree in Industrial Technology from the College of Engineering of Tennessee Technological University in 1986.